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OFFICE OF THE  
REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

Commissioner Jewell Mullin  
410 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06134

Dear Commissioner Mullin:

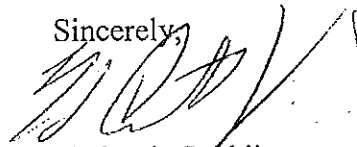
As you know, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 mandates across-the-board spending cuts, known as sequestration, be ordered on March 1, 2013. As required by law, the President issued a sequestration order cancelling billions of dollars in budgetary resources across the federal government for the remainder of the federal fiscal year. Subsequent to that order, the EPA's Acting Administrator, Bob Perciasepe, sent a letter to your Governor addressing the importance of the agency's relationships with the states. It is also important that we establish and maintain direct communications about what these budget cuts mean for the agency, your state and other stakeholders.

As a result of sequestration, the Agency's overall budget will be reduced for the remainder of the fiscal year, impacting our employees and our programs. Programs such as the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds, and grants for air pollution programs under Section 105 of the Clean Air Act, will be affected by a reduction in funding. In addition, the sequester will affect the amount of discretionary grant funding to States, including reductions in awards for Superfund, Brownfields, pollution prevention, wetlands program development, research and development and community work. In the face of these reductions, the Agency is doing everything possible to protect mission-critical activities. Should Congress take subsequent actions that change the level or nature of these reductions, I am committed to working closely with you to manage any changes affecting our State partners.

Enclosed with this letter is an estimate of the FY 2013 reductions for selected grants your department receives from the EPA. As you are aware, some EPA grants are competitive or are for other reasons not distributed by state at the beginning of the fiscal year. Those funds are not included in these estimates.

I thank you for your continued support and partnership with the EPA, and for your cooperation as we work together to manage these unfortunate circumstances. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

  
H. Curtis Spalding  
Regional Administrator  
EPA New England



CT Department of Public Health  
Estimated Sequestration Impact  
Dollars in Thousands

Program Project	State	FY 2013 Level	Level after Seq.	Delta
Categorical Grant: Beaches Protection	Connecticut	\$221.00	\$209.95	\$11.05
Categorical Grant: Public Water System Supervision (PWSS)	Connecticut	\$1,391.00	\$1,321.45	\$69.55
Categorical Grant: Radon	Connecticut	\$249.00	\$236.55	\$12.45
Infrastructure Assistance: Drinking Water SRF	Connecticut	\$8,976.00	\$8,527.20	\$448.80

NOTES:

\* The reduction amounts above are estimates meant to provide the scale of expected reductions resulting from sequestration. In general, the amounts reflect a 5% reduction from amounts awarded in FY 2012.

\* In some instances, the program money awarded to a state may be split among more than one agency. The amounts above do not account for such splits.